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STATUS OF MAPPING AND MAP EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS

1. Introduction. This report presents an evaluation of map exchange agreements existing between the United States and foreign countries to the present date. It considers all types of such agreements which affect AMS directly or indirectly. It analyzes their operation in terms of benefit to the United States in the accumulation of maps, map reproduction manuscript, geodetic data and technical publications. The report assumes that AMS respects its obligations under the various agreements.

2. Arrangement.

a. Areas of the world are listed alphabetically:

(1) By major geographic extent (continent)

(2) By secondary geographic regions (country) within the primary categories

Absence of exchange agreements is indicated on the premise that negative information is also pertinent to the report.

b. The significance of nearly all columns in the report is obvious from their headings. Exceptions that require explanation are:

(1) The second column indicates the number of agencies in a specific area with which AMS enjoys exchange agreements. This figure applies to exchanges negotiated by other U. S. agencies, in which AMS functions as a silent partner, as well as agreements developed by G-2, OCE or AMS.

(2) Type reflects the method through which the agreement is conducted and also the degree of AMS participation.

This data is coded for convenience of presentation.

AM = Army Command
CM = Cooperative Mapping
FE = Full Map Exchange
IAGS = Inter American Geodetic Survey
LE = Limited Map Exchange
P = Inter Agency Map Procurement Coordinating Committee

(3) No attempt is made to itemize the agencies affected by the IAMPCC. The numerical reference is considered sufficient.

(4) Date indicates the month or year in which the agreement was concluded. No dates are available for IAMPCC agreements.

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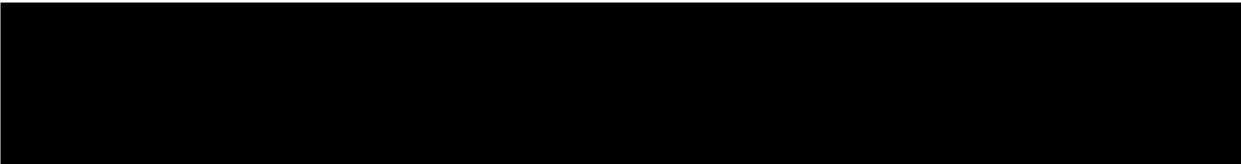
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3. The Maps Column evaluates the receipt of maps by AMS in terms of volume and coverage. It does not express an opinion of the map's quality. Except where indicated the evaluation applies to direct exchange agreements and not to the IANPCC.

4. The Geodetic Data Column remarks both quantity and quality of AMS receipts.

5. The Reproduction Manuscript Column refers to the condition of that material, as well as its reproducibility and the areal coverage afforded.

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- a. List of territories divided into national jurisdiction.
 - b. Description of existing agreements and analytic comment on map procurement.
 - c. Evaluation of geodetic data procurement.
 - d. Evaluation of reproduction manuscript procurement.

7. Annex.

a. A map illustrating the type of exchange agreements is attached to the report. The form of agreement most effective for AMS is given precedence in areas where multiple types exist.

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